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*The Model school attached to the Teachers' school at Saidapet.*

*347 Q.—Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar : Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state whether in the Model school attached to the Teachers' school at Saidapet trained graduates are employed throughout, and if not, the class or classes which continue to be still in charge of secondary or even lower grade teachers?

A.—Trained graduates are employed in forms III to VI, and all classes from form II downwards are taught by secondary grade teachers.

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" Sir, is it not the rule that even for the lower classes trained graduates should be employed? "

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. Patro :—" There is no rule to that effect."

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" Is it not considered desirable by the Director of Public Instruction and other officers to make any such rule? "

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. Patro :—" The discretion is with the headmasters to appoint suitable men to carry on the work of the school satisfactorily."

*Students who underwent training in the Teachers' Colleges in the Presidency.*

*348 Q.—Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar : Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state the number of students in the collegiate grade who underwent training during the last five years in the Teachers' Colleges in the Presidency; how many of them were from the Ceded districts, and the measures taken by the Government to attract a larger number of graduates from the said districts to undergo training in these colleges?

A.—The total number of students of the collegiate grade that underwent training during the last five years in the two Government Colleges at Saidapet and Rajahmundry was 838. Fifty were from the Ceded districts. No special measures have been taken by Government to attract students from these districts beyond the provision of stipends. It is open to Presidents of District Boards and Chairmen of Municipal Councils to depute students from these districts for training.

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" Would it not be encouraging to the students of the Ceded districts who undergo training as teachers, if those who have already undergone the training are provided with suitable appointments? "

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. Patro :—" That does not arise out of this question, Sir."

*Depressed class students in the Pallikonda Board Elementary Day School.*

*349 Q.—Mr. R. Veerian : Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government are aware that the pupils belonging to the depressed classes are made to sit in a small detached hut in the compound of the Pallikonda Board Elementary Day School, North Arcot district, instead of inside the main building alongside the other caste boys;